

REMARKS

Claims 1-3 and 5-8 have been canceled.

Information disclosure statement. The Examiner is requested to consider a reference WO 03/091887 A1, listed on the attached Form 1449, a copy of which is enclosed. Form PTO-2038 is attached, providing a fee for the information disclosure statement and for the newly added claims. Any deficiency in fees may be charged to our deposit account 15-0610.

Subject matter already found to be allowable. The Examiner has indicated that claim 4 is allowable if recast in independent form. Claim 4 has been amended in this way.

New claim 11 has been added which is intended to claim more particularly a method to be performed with the apparatus of Figs. 3 or 4. This claim is suggested to be patentable for the same reasons as allowable claim 4.

Newly presented claims relating to Fig. 2. New claim 9 has been added which is intended to claim more particularly the embodiment of Fig. 2. New claims 12 and 13 have been added which are intended to claim more particularly two methods to be performed with the apparatus of claim 9. This claim is suggested to be patentable for the same reasons as allowable claim 9.

Newly presented claims relating to Fig. 3. New claim 10 has been added which is intended to claim more particularly the embodiment of Fig. 3. New claim 14 has been added which is intended to claim more particularly a method to be performed with the apparatus of claim 10. This claim is suggested to be patentable for the same reasons as claim 10.

Reconsideration is requested.

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